DATA AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer Program

AUDIENCE: District Superintendents, PowerSchool Coordinators, Food Service Directors
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The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) has partnered with the South Carolina Department of Social Services (DSS) to develop and implement a plan for participation in the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer Program (P-EBT).

The SCDE and DSS have identified eligible participants by compiling the list of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program eligible students and Free and Reduced Lunch eligible students. This list has been compiled based on eligibility through March 15, 2020. Please refer to the memo linked below for more information.

Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer Program - Memo PDF (132 KB)PDF (183 KB)

Shared Data Governance

AUDIENCE: District Superintendents, District Technology Leaders, District Accountability/Report Card Coordinators
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The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) has contracted with PowerSchool to license a state supported student information system (SIS). Each district in the state is considered a sub-license under the state master license. This contract was negotiated to provide explicit ownership of any data entered into the SIS to the school district. Under the contract, a SCDE review committee retains the rights to review and refuse customizations to PowerSchool software. The SCDE is proposing a District Data Governance Group to manage that review process. Please review the memo linked below for further information.

Shared Data Governance - Memo PDF (180 KB)

GRANTS

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act-Education for Homeless Children and Youths Grant Opportunity

AUDIENCE: District Superintendents, Title I Coordinators
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The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) announces that the 2020–21 Request for Proposals (RFP) for the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act—Education for Homeless Children and Youths grant is now available online. Up to **$1,121,000** in funding will be distributed on a competitive basis. The deadline to apply is **July 16, 2020.**

The SCDE will offer a technical assistance webinar for interested grant applicants on June 18, 2020, from 2:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m. via Adobe Connect. Please use **this link** to participate.

Visit the **SCDE Grant Opportunities page** for updated information on grants, eligibility, application deadlines, and technical assistance.

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act--Education for Homeless Children and Youths Grant Opportunity - Memo PDF (140 KB)

HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Recovering Nutrition Program Cost Increases

AUDIENCE: District Directors of Finance

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) has requested a portion of the CARES Act funding from the General Assembly to offset the increased costs of operating nutrition programs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In order for your district to be considered for this cost of operations reimbursement, you must complete this new survey to document your cost increases. Please refer to the memo linked below for detailed information concerning the survey. Please complete the survey by the close of business on **June 22, 2020.**

Recovering Nutrition Program Cost Increases - Memo PDF (183 KB)

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Webinar Series

AUDIENCE: District Superintendents, Principals, Instructional Leaders, School Counseling Personnel Directors, Student Services Coordinators
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The Office of Student Intervention Services will host Supporting the SEL Needs of Educators and Students, a four-part webinar series for school administrators, educators, and other staff.

The series is designed to provide participants with practical information, strategies, and resources to facilitate the transition from the COVID-19 school closures into summer learning and the next academic year. Please refer to the memo linked below for dates, topics, and other detailed information.

COVID-19: Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Webinar Series - Memo PDF (178 KB)